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1. According to markings on the quay, the depth of Ventspils harbor was eight meters. The length of the quay where ships can be anchored [sic] is 1200 meters.

2. Four moveable cranes of unknown capacity were on the quay.

3. The harbor mole was formed by steel beams filled with stones.

4. The loading quays had no railway connections. As they were needed, narrow gauge tracks were laid to the loading points of the various ships.

5. Ships in the harbor: In the west harbor there were a few small Russian coasters [redacted] 50X1-HUM ships regularly entered the harbor. In the east harbor at a distance of about 1000 meters there were several submarines (number and type could not be observed) and approximately 12 small warships (of high power, with one funnel, and a thin mast). Their size was about that of former German mine layers.

6. The harbor was cut off from the city by a wall three meters high with barbed wire on it. There were only two entrances in this wall, both guarded by Russian and Latvian soldiers armed with machine pistols.

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